

SCORES ARE KILLED IN PANIC AT NEGRO CHURCH CONVENTION

Cries of "Fight" Stampede Assemblage to Death.

DEATH LIST ESTIMATED AT EIGHTY SATURDAY MORNING

Only Forty of Victims Have Thus Far Been Identified—During Booker Washington's Speech.

(News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.)

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., SEPT. 20.—(2 P. M.)—Reports from the hospital show that ten persons injured in last night's panic had died during the night and early this morning. The bodies of several dead have also been found at the homes in the neighborhood of the scene of disaster.

This runs the total number of dead close to 100, as 78 bodies were taken to the undertakers' shops during the night. Investigation shows that no white persons were killed, but several who had gone out to hear Booker Washington speak were injured.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 20. — Of those killed in last night's stampede at the Shilo Negro Baptist church, while Booker Washington was addressing the National Baptist convention, only about forty bodies have been identified. Almost all the identified dead are local residents while those not yet claimed are strangers and came here from various parts of the United States as delegates to the convention.

Immense crowds surround the undertaking shops in the endeavor to identify the unknown dead. Intense indignation was shown by the delegates to the convention against the negro who started the fight in the gallery, which led to the excitement afterward resulting in the panic, and steps may be taken to prosecute him.

Reports from hospitals this morning say that about 12 of the injured will die. It is impossible to ascertain just how many were injured as many were taken to private homes because of the lack of accommodations at the hospitals.

Early this morning the death list stands at eighty.

The catastrophe occurred at 9 o'clock just as Booker T. Washington had concluded his address to the National Convention of Baptists. Dead bodies were strewn in every direction and the ambulance service of the city was utterly incapacitated to move them until after mid-night. Dozens of dead bodies were arranged in rows on the ground outside the church, awaiting removal to the various undertaking establishments, while more than a score were laid out on the benches inside. At least 2,000 persons were in the building when the stampede began.

Just as Booker T. Washington concluded his address Judge Billou, a negro lawyer from Baltimore, engaged in an altercation with the choir leader concerning an unoccupied seat, and, it is said, a blow was struck. Someone in the choir cried: "They're fighting." Mistaking the word "fighting" for "fire" the congregation rose en masse and started for the doors.

Men and women crawled over benches, fought their ways into the aisles, and those who had fallen were trampled upon.

The screams of women and children added to the horror of the scene and through mere fright many persons fainted and as they fell to the floor were crushed to death. The level of the floor is about 15 feet above the ground and long steps lead to the side walk from the lobby just outside the main auditorium. Brick walls extend on each side of these steps for six or seven feet and this place proved a veritable death trap.

TWO KILLED.

Buried Beneath Carload of Ties.
(News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.)
Toledo, O., Sept. 20. — At Hamler, a car load of ties being unloaded fell on and buried four laborers.

Two were killed. They are "Red" Shouk and Geo. Fritchle. The other two were seriously injured.

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New York School Board Will Import Coal From Wales.

(News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.)

YONKERS, N. Y., Sept. 20.—The board of education of this city, through its president, Charles Eastman, a New York lawyer, has decided to import enough coal from Wales to heat the schools in winter.

Local coal dealers refused to put in bids for supplying the schools. It is said that there is not enough coal in the city to heat the schools one month.

PRESIDENT COVERS THE FIRST STAGE OF HIS TRIP WEST

Arrives in Cincinnati, Where Big Reception Is Tendered.

REMAINS IN CRESCENT CITY TONIGHT

(News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.)

Cincinnati, O., Sept. 20. — President Roosevelt and his party arrived here at 10 o'clock this morning, promptly on time. The president was met by the reception committee headed by Senator Foraker and Mayor Fleischman and escorted to the St. Nicholas hotel.

Roosevelt was received here by vast crowds and the whole city gave itself up to the holiday. At the St. Nicholas the president spent a couple of hours in welcoming old friends and making new ones.

After lunch he will be taken to the fall festival, where after a visit to the midway and other attractions, he will address the business men's association at the music hall. A formal dinner with 400 covers will be given at 6 o'clock. He will speak in the music hall in the evening.

Oyster Bay, Sept. 20. — President Roosevelt left for New York aboard the Sylph at 9:30 o'clock this morning. He will not return to Sagamore Hill until Oct. 9.

Mrs. Roosevelt and Misses Alice and Ethel Roosevelt and Secretary Cortelyou accompanied him. The ladies in the party returned to the place in the afternoon. The other persons who are to accompany the president on his western trip left on a special train at 9:30.

They will join President Roosevelt at Jersey City, whence the start on the western trip will be made over the Pennsylvania railroad at 2:15 p. m.

FLASHED

Revolver in Faces of Strikers and Stood Them at Bay.

(News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.)

Tamaqua, Pa., Sept. 20.—Early this morning, the strikers were out at Lansford, lying in wait for non-strikers and deputies. A small sized riot was going on when the governor's troop arrived and dispersed the mob.

Archie McMichael, a deputy, was intercepted. The crowd importuned him to turn back, but he refused. Then they turned on him and pelted him with rocks. McMichael whipped out his revolver and fired but hit no one. He stood his ground and cautioned them that the first man who raised his hand he would shoot down. McMichael remained defiantly in front of the strikers until the troops arrived.

TRUNK FOUND

But Hooper Young Is Still at Large—Religious Theory Advanced.

(News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.)

New York, Sept. 20. — The police now believe that Hooper Young killed Mrs. Pulitzer in a moment of perverted religious frenzy. In his room were found a number of slips of paper containing bible texts and one paper labeled "Blood atonement."

His trunk was found this morning at the Polk street depot, Chicago, but though the police searched carefully there was no trace of Young.

VETERANS SIDE WITH GEN. SMITH

The Kill and Burn Order Was Justified, They Say.

COPY OF RESOLUTIONS WILL BE SENT TO SECRETARY OF WAR

Nineteenth Regiment Closes Its Reunion in Canton With Sensational Standon Much Discussed Question.

Resolutions emphatically endorsing the action of General Jacob H. Smith in his famous "kill and burn" campaign in Samar and expressing their disapproval of the treatment received by him at the hands of the administration were adopted amid cheers and applause at the evening session of the Nineteenth Regiment of Ohio Infantry held Friday evening in the assembly room of the city.

The resolution was offered by former adjutant of the regiment, Philip D. Reedy, now mayor of Elyria and one of the best known figures among survivors of the old 19th. Its text is as follows:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of the comrades of the 19th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, assembled in reunion at Canton, O., that the conduct of Gen. Jacob H. Smith, while in command of the District of Samar, Philippine Islands, was eminently just, considering the conditions then existing within his jurisdiction, and that we look with disfavor upon any action which tends to dishonor our comrade who gave 11 years of his life in defense of the honor and glory of our beloved country."

CHEERS FOR SMITH.
After the reading and adoption of the resolution it was moved and voted that a copy of the resolutions be sent to General Smith and that another copy be forwarded to the secretary of war. The enthusiasm with which the resolutions were received and adopted showed that the sentiments contained therein were given the hearty approval of every soldier present and that they believed the long years of service given by General Smith to his country were deserving of something more than the dishonor that must come under the circumstances of his retirement.

Veterans of the old 19th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, now grown grizzled and bent with the weight of passing years since they toiled together over the long marches, fought shoulder to shoulder and slept side by side around bivouac fires on southern battlefields, met Friday evening in the city hall assembly room for the closing session of their reunion. Memorials of the days when they marched and fought beneath the old flag whose folds now decorate their halls in peace were vividly recalled by the thrilling words of their former commander, General C. F. Manderson and other comrades present and the hall rang time and again with cheers from the throats whose huzzas once answered the rebel yell. About 125 survivors of the regiment were present. The next reunion will be held at Warren on Sept. 18, 1903.

OFFICERS ELECTED.
During the later hours of the afternoon session the election of next year's officers was taken up and resulted in the selection of the following: President, M. O. Messer, Warren; vice president, Austin A. Hay, Beach City; secretary and treasurer, Thomas A. Brerly, Warren, was re-elected.

At the conclusion of the business session at 2:30 o'clock the veterans formed in line on Cleveland avenue and under command of General Manderson marched to the public square and were placed on board special cars by which they were conveyed to Lincoln avenue where they re-formed and

marched to the tomb of President McKinley in Westlawn cemetery. Here a beautiful wreath of roses and immortelles was placed at the vault as the regiment stood in line with uncovered heads.

After depositing the tribute to the memory of their former comrade most of the regiment took the cars to the fair grounds to spend the remainder of the afternoon.

At 5:30 they re-assembled in Odd Fellows' hall where a generous repast was served by the Women's Relief Corps.

After supper all again repaired to the assembly room where the remainder of the day's program was taken up at 7 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was called to order by President Hiram Doll and at once took up the transaction of some preliminary business, among which were the introduction and adoption of the resolutions endorsing the action of General Jacob H. Smith, and a vote of thanks to the women of the Relief Corps for their kindness in furnishing and serving supper. A letter of regret from Comrade Henry Sheet, a member of Company I, now a resident of Philomath, Oregon, was read by Secretary Brerly.

Major Frank Baird, of Canton, was then introduced for a short address in which he entertained his hearers with amusing incidents of the army service and thrilled them with his eloquent references to the work of the 19th regiment in the cause for which it fought. Major Baird told how at the age of 16 he had enlisted for service in Company A, then being recruited in Canton and how parental interference shattered for a time his soldierly ambitions. He recounted his first meeting with Colonel Manderson, of his secret enlistment later in another regiment. In closing Major Baird paid an eloquent tribute to the valor of the 19th and of its commander Colonel Manderson.

ORIGINAL POEM.

An original poem descriptive of the battle of Missionary Ridge, on November 23-25, 1863, composed by Colonel Chealey D. Bailey of the Ninth Kentucky Volunteer infantry, which with the 19th Ohio, took part in that famous engagement, was read by Secretary Brerly. The verses contained graphic descriptions of the fierce charges made by the army of the Cumberland on Missionary Ridge and the battle among the clouds about the summit of Lookout Mountain. It reading was received with applause and cheers.

Interpersed in the program were selections of music rendered by the Rector Mandolin club and recitations by Master Leonard Vanderson and Miss Ella Rex.

Following the reading of Colonel Bailey's poem, A. W. Angler, a son of a member of Company F, spoke for a short time, paying an eloquent tribute to the work of the regiment during its service and expressing in a measure the appreciation of later generations for the deeds of their fathers. The sentiments expressed by Mr. Angler were vigorously applauded.

MANDERSON'S DESCRIPTION.
The evening's program was closed by the reading of an original description of the battles of Murfreesboro and Missionary Ridge written by Col. Manderson and read by himself. Beside the thrilling and vivid description of the famous battles in which the old 19th played such an important part, the account of Col. Manderson contained also the story of two fine silver mounted revolvers presented to him by his regiment, captured by the confederate cavalry of General Joe Wheeler in a raid upon a baggage train and restored to the original owner through a remarkable series of coincidences, 28 years after the close of the war.

One of the captured pistols was sent to General Manderson by a member of an Iowa cavalry regiment who had recaptured the weapon from a southerner during the reconstruction period and who discovered its owner by the inscription borne upon its handle. This was 20 years after its capture by the confederates and 8 years later, when Colonel Manderson was in congress as a representative from the State of Nebraska, the other was returned by a confederate colonel of cavalry. The weapons are among the general's most highly prized treasures and the recounting of their peculiar history was heard with the greatest interest.

FRISCO BUTCHERS TAKE FIRM STAND

Notify Packers and Jobbers to Cease Attempts at Coercion.

(News-Democrat Leased Wire Service.)
San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 20.—The butchers' board of trade, composed of local retailers, has issued the ultimatum notifying the jobbers' association and the local representatives of the beef packers that they must cease their attempts to coerce the members into buying their stock.

The alternative is prosecution of the organization and its members as individuals under the Sherman anti-trust law and the erection of an independent slaughter house.

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TRIUMVIRATE FAILS

And Executive Committee Decides on Individual Leadership—Bitter War Is Declared on Devery.

New York, Sept. 20. — Charles F. Murphy was last night elected leader of Tammany Hall at the meeting of the executive committee which was attended by all the members with the exception of August Meibus of the 34th assembly district. On the calling of the meeting to order by President Haffen, of Bronx borough, this resolution was offered:

"Whereas the experiment of the committee of three has proved the desirability of individual responsibility and leadership,
"Resolved that the position and duties heretofore occupied and performed by the committee of three be hereafter occupied and performed by Charles F. Murphy."

The resolution was carried by a vote of 29 to 9. On a proposition to change the place for holding conventions in the ninth district for selecting delegates to state, county, senatorial and assembly districts, Frank Goodwin demanded that the matter be laid on the table and protested against William S. Devery becoming the accredited representative of district on the ground of fraud. The matter was referred to the committee on elections.

After the meeting Devery made a formal demand for his credentials, but was unable to get any satisfaction.

Devery, who won from John C. Sheehan and Frank J. Goodwin in the Ninth district, was practically refused his certificate enabling him to hold a convention to elect delegates to the state convention, which is taken to mean that the fight to prevent Devery participating in the convention, is on in earnest.

After the vote, which resulted in such a decisive victory for Murphy, was taken, several Carroll men made speeches in which they vigorously protested against "one man" rule in Tammany Hall. They declared that such powers should be vested in the executive committee, of thirty-seven members. Prolonged cheering followed the announcement of the vote.

PLANS DISCUSSED BY THE CONFERENCE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Ministers Want More Interest Shown in Church Society.

ALL OVER EXCEPT ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Staff Special.)

Louisville, O., Sept. 20. — Rev. Dr. Kendall of Cleveland, preached Friday evening to those in attendance at the United Brethren conference. The church was crowded, as it has been at all of the sessions of the conference.

Saturday morning from 8:30 o'clock to 10 o'clock Bishop Mills gave another bible reading. The remainder of the forenoon session was devoted to the discussion of plans for conducting and creating interest in the young people's society of the church, the Young People's Christian union.

The session of Saturday afternoon was devoted to hearing the reports of ministers on the progress and standing of their charges. Almost without exception these reports are favorable, nearly all reporting a satisfactory increase in membership. All of the work of the conference except the announcement of the appointments and ordaining of new ministers was completed Saturday afternoon.

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FIGHT ON JUDGSHIP.

Kent, O., Sept. 18.—There is a hot fight on for the Democratic nomination for probate judge in Portage county, the contestants being Mayor D. L. Rockwell, of Kent, and Attorney J. H. Russell, of Ravenna. Fights are being put up for the delegations in the various townships, both candidates having emissaries out in their behalf. The Republican nominees are George F. Douthitt, of Ravenna, one



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of the highest attorneys of the Portage county bar. He is a former Democratic office holder, which is the basis for the opposition which has arisen. The Democratic convention will be held September 20. All other candidates will be sacrificed in the hope of electing a probate judge.